

identified with the promotion of fraternities, and has widely advanced and enlarged the opportunities for growth and leadership among college men through fraternities. Phi Delta Theta asserts that fraternities, and the education of their members therein, are a microcosm of university life. Bob Biggs has been instrumental in collaborating with various college and university presidents during his tenure.

In Bob's own reflections recently when questioned about his impact on the Fraternity, he was emphatic that if not for his role at Phi Delta Theta, he would not have had the opportunity to meet and work with so many top level university and college officials, business executives, entrepreneurs, Nobel laureates, astronauts, and other citizens of great influence.

In addition to his Fraternity related service, he has always been dedicated to his community of Oxford, Ohio where he and his wife Coni raised their three children, Lori, Kyle and Amy. He has been president or chairman of several local organizations, including the Oxford Rotary Club, Oxford Jaycees, Oxford Community Foundation, has volunteered as a troop leader with Boy Scouts of America, and served St. Mary Catholic Church on the Finance Committee.

Throughout his career, Mr. Biggs has been an ambassador and advocate for all Greek organizations. Based on his many achievements and long, distinguished tenure within the Greek movement and Phi Delta Theta, I am honored and proud, as one of his Fraternity brothers and a colleague in the collegiate Greek movement, to acknowledge with gratitude the distinguished career of Robert A. Biggs, on the occasion of the culmination of his career of selfless service to the Phi Delta Theta International Fraternity and the Phi Delta Theta Foundation.

#### HONORING THE LIFE OF MR. JOHN SWING

##### HON. ADAM B. SCHIFF

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, June 30, 2020*

Mr. SCHIFF. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the memory of the late John Swing, whose life was tragically cut short by COVID-19.

John Swing was a veteran of the United States Marine Corps and widely respected community leader in my district. He was recently appointed Executive Director of Search to Involve Filipino Americans (SIPA), a group serving LA's Filipino community. I was honored to join their event last month to discuss the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic on the Filipino community in Los Angeles. In addition, Mr. Swing was active in a variety of other community groups, including the Filipino American Services Group, Inc., the Coalition of Filipino American Chambers of Commerce, and the Festival of Pilipino Arts and Culture.

Mr. Swing also served on the Riverside County Foundation on Aging, where he served as Board Director; as an employee of the Riverside County Probation Department; and in the United States Marine Corps. He was passionate about improving our city and helping those most in need and was particularly involved in the efforts to combat the scourge of homelessness throughout Los Angeles.

Mr. Swing is survived by his wife Ellen Rodriguez-Swing and his children, Zachary, Joshua, Chloe, Mackenzie, Nico, and Sasha. My deepest condolences are with them, and the entire Los Angeles Filipino community who has lost a dedicated and energetic leader to this horrific disease.

John Swing was a true public servant and he will be deeply missed. His work will continue in all the lives he touched. Please join me in honoring his legacy.

#### PERSONAL EXPLANATION

##### HON. MARTHA ROBY

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, June 30, 2020*

Mrs. ROBY. Madam Speaker, I was unable to vote on Monday, June 29. Had I been present I would have voted as follows: YEA on Roll Call No. 123; NAY on Roll Call No. 124; YEA on Roll Call No. 125; NAY on Roll Call No. 126; YEA on Roll Call No. 127; NAY on Roll Call No. 128; and NAY on Roll Call No. 129.

#### PERSONAL EXPLANATION

##### HON. AUSTIN SCOTT

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, June 30, 2020*

Mr. AUSTIN SCOTT of Georgia. Madam Speaker, on Roll Call No. 123 on the motion to recommit for H.R. 1425, I am not recorded because I was unavoidably detained. Had I been present, I would have voted YEA.

On Roll Call No. 124 on passage of H.R. 1425, I am not recorded because I was unavoidably detained. Had I been present, I would have voted NAY.

On Roll Call No. 125 on the motion to recommit for H.R. 5332, I am not recorded because I was unavoidably detained. Had I been present, I would have voted YEA.

On Roll Call No. 126 on passage of H.R. 5332, I am not recorded because I was unavoidably detained. Had I been present, I would have voted NAY.

On Roll Call No. 127 on motion to recommit for H.R. 7301, I am not recorded because I was unavoidably detained. Had I been present, I would have voted YEA.

On Roll Call No. 128 on passage of H.R. 7301, I am not recorded because I was unavoidably detained. Had I been present, I would have voted NAY.

On Roll Call No. 129 on passage of H.J. Res. 90, I am not recorded because I was unavoidably detained. Had I been present, I would have voted NAY.

#### PERSONAL EXPLANATION

##### HON. CATHY McMORRIS RODGERS

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, June 30, 2020*

Mrs. RODGERS of Washington. Madam Speaker, due to a family commitment I unfortunately missed votes yesterday. Had I been

present, I would have voted YEA on Roll Call No. 123; NAY on Roll Call No. 124; YEA on Roll Call No. 125; NAY on Roll Call No. 126; YEA on Roll Call No. 127; NAY on Roll Call No. 128; and NAY on Roll Call No. 129.

#### HONORING THE LIFE OF PATRICK KENNEDY

##### HON. SUSAN W. BROOKS

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, June 30, 2020*

Mrs. BROOKS of Indiana. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the life and legacy of Patrick William Kennedy, a friend to many in the Indianapolis community, including me. Pat passed away on April 12, 2020, after a courageous battle with Covid-19. He will be forever missed by his friends, family and colleagues.

Pat Kennedy was born June 27, 1956, in Indianapolis, Indiana. After graduating from Brebeuf Jesuit Preparatory School, Pat went on to Notre Dame University where he graduated in 1978. Upon his graduation from Notre Dame, Pat joined the Kennedy family business and ultimately became the 4th-generation president of the three Kennedy family companies: Kennedy Tank & Manufacturing in Indianapolis; Southern Tank in Owensboro, Kentucky; and STAFCO in Columbia City, Indiana. Pat worked along side family including his three sons to gain national recognition in quality fabrication of steel tanks, pressure vessels, and heat exchangers.

In addition to Pat's success in the business world, he was heavily involved in bettering the Indianapolis community. He had a deep passion for auto racing that led to him attending fifty-seven consecutive Indianapolis 500 races, but spectating was not all that he did. Pat served on the board of the 500 Mile Oldtimers Organization, sponsored race car drivers, and wrote two books on race trivia, collaborating with Indianapolis Motor Speedway (IMS) historian and friend Donald Davidson as a technical advisor. Pat was a former director of the 500 Festival Board and was a director of the 500 Festival Foundation Board at the time of his death. Pat was very involved in bettering the experience for Hoosiers and fans all around the world when it came to his beloved Indy 500.

The 500 was not the only way Pat served our community. He supported numerous organizations including Wheeler Mission, CYO, United Way, Friends of Holliday Park, Little Sisters of the Poor, Indianapolis Motor Speedway Foundation, and many schools and parishes in the Archdiocese of Indianapolis. Pat was a passionate sports fan, rarely missing a game played by those in his family, but his interest extended to any great competitive event. Pat was a devoted supporter and long-time season ticket holder of the Indiana Pacers and the Indianapolis Colts.

Pat was preceded in death by his beloved parents, William and Frances Kennedy. He is survived by his wife of 35 years, Cheryl Kennedy; children Maura (Chris Page), Bill (Ellen), Jimmy (Anna Grace Sterry), Patrick, and Joey Gaines; grandchildren Kate, Grace, Luke, and Bo; sisters Peggy Shorter (Mark), Kathy Fairchild (Thom), and Ann Bolin (Paul); and nieces and nephews Kelly Schneider (Matt), Mickey Shorter (Ashley); Kimmie Rumer (Justin) and Kyle Fairchild; and Courtney, Kevin, and Brian Bolin.